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**A Resolution in Support of Printing SAPAC's Crisis Line on the Back of Student MCards**

*A bill for the consideration of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Student Government*

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**Whereas**, the mission of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Student Government (hereafter LSA SG) is to "actively seek the voices of LSA students and advocate their interests to improve academic and non-academic life";<sup>1</sup> and,

**Whereas**, Central Student Government (hereafter CSG) recently passed a resolution supporting the printing of CAPS After Hours Phone Line on the back of student MCards<sup>2</sup>; and,

**Whereas**, MCard usage by University of Michigan-Ann Arbor (hereafter University of Michigan) students is widespread and prolific, as it is a student's main University of Michigan identification card; and,

**Whereas**, the Sexual Assault Prevention and Awareness Center (hereafter SAPAC) and its crisis line are valuable educational and support resources for survivors of sexual assault and misconduct, as well as all University of Michigan students, that should be made more easily and readily available; and,

**Whereas**, based on the U-M 2015 Campus Climate Surveys Regarding Sexual Misconduct, 22.5% of undergraduate females and 6.8% of undergraduate males were survivors of some form of sexual assault on University of Michigan's campus<sup>3</sup>; and,

**Whereas**, the University of Michigan is not immune to sexual assault, apparent since February 1, 2014, when the University of Michigan was included on the Title IX watch list for sexual assault investigations<sup>4</sup>; and,

**Whereas**, 53.6% of survivors on campus have never told anyone about their experiences and only 3.6% have reported their experience<sup>5</sup>; and,

**Whereas**, the professional staff and the student co-coordinators of SAPAC have shown support for the addition of SAPAC's Crisis Line to student MCards; and,

**Whereas**, the printing of SAPAC's Crisis Line on MCards would serve to show University of Michigan students that sexual assault and misconduct will not be tolerated in any form and that survivors can find support in all instances and cases; and,

**Whereas**, the addition of SAPAC's Crisis Line to MCards could help facilitate knowledge of bystander intervention and awareness on matters concerning campus safety and sexual assault.

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<sup>1</sup> The Constitution of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Student Government. Article II

<sup>2</sup> Central Student Government Resolution, A.R. 5-045

<sup>3</sup> U-M 2015 Campus Climate Surveys Regarding Sexual Misconduct

<sup>4</sup> [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/01/07/barnard-college-title-ix-investigations\\_n\\_6432596.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/01/07/barnard-college-title-ix-investigations_n_6432596.html)

<sup>5</sup> U-M 2015 Campus Climate Surveys Regarding Sexual Misconduct

**Be it therefore resolved,** LSA SG supports the initiative to print SAPAC's Crisis Line on the back of student MCards, as follows: "SAPAC 24-Hour Crisis Line: (734) 764-7771"; and,

**Be it further resolved,** LSA SG shall work with CSG and any other interested student governments on this project; and,

**Be it finally resolved,** LSA SG shall work with SAPAC and the University of Michigan Treasurer's Office to lobby for the addition of the SAPAC 24 hour hotline to the back of student MCards.